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**Column 20**

Claim 5, Line 12, change the word "hone" to --bone--

Claim 6, Line 23, the phase "mcmber into first and second bones,..."  
should read "member into the first and second bones,..."

Claim 6, Line 27, change the word "in" to -- to--

Claim 10, Line 44, change the word "front" to --from--

**Column 21**

Claim 17, Line 21, change the word "stop" to --step--

Claim 17, Line 26, change the word "loading" to --leading--

Claim 19, Line 44, change the word "its" to --in--

Claim 19, Line 48, change the word "or" to --of--

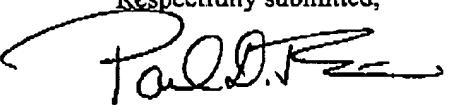
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Claim 20, Line 9, change the word "stop" to --step--

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